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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES

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00022DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A  
SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED

PCT/JP2004/014286

September 22, 2004

September 24, 2003

## TITLE OF INVENTION

HOT ROLLED STEEL SHEET FOR PROCESSING AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other

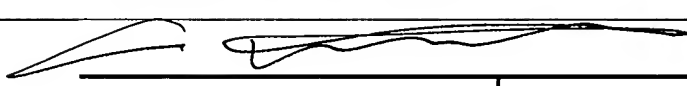
1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☒ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ An English translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto.
  - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ had been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36

**Items 11 to 20. below concern document(s) or information included:**

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☒ A substitute specification.
16. ☒ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825
18. ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. ☒ Other items or information:

PTO-1449 form, International Publication No. WO 2005/028693, International Search Report, Written Opinion, Response to Written Opinion, International Preliminary Exam Report, Redline comparison and Return Receipt Postcard

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21. The following fees have been submitted:				CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)).....				\$300.00	\$ 300
22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination fee (37 CFR 492(c))					
If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4).....				\$0.00	
All other situations.....				\$200.00	\$ 200
23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(b))					
If the written opinion of the ISA/US or US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)				\$0.00	
Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority.....				\$100.00	
International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office .....				\$400.00	
All other situations .....				\$500.00	\$ 400
<b>TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =</b>				<b>\$ 900</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)	RATE		
- 100	/50 =		x \$250.00		
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	10 -20 =	0	x \$50.00	\$	
Independent claims	2 -3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			+ \$360.00	\$	
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				<b>\$</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$	
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				<b>\$900</b>	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				\$	
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>				<b>\$ 900</b>	
Fee for recording the enclose assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property				\$ 40	
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>				<b>\$ 940</b>	
				Amount to be refunded:	\$
				charged:	\$

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<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount <u>\$940</u> to cover the above fees is enclosed. of</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>50-2054</u> in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>50-2054</u> A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING:</b> Information on this form may become public. <b>Credit card information should not be included on this form.</b> Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p> <p><b>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</b></p>		
SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: <span style="float: right;"><b>CUSTOMER NUMBER 30873</b></span>		
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 35%;">           Dorsey &amp; Whitney LLP            Intellectual Property Department            250 Park Avenue            New York, New York 10177         </div> <div style="width: 60%; border-top: 1px solid black; position: relative;"> <div style="position: absolute; top: -20px; left: 50%; transform: translate(-50%, -50%); font-size: 1.5em;">  </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="width: 60%;">           Signature  <b>Gary Abelev, Esq.</b> </div> <div style="width: 35%; border-left: 1px solid black; padding-left: 5px;">           Date March 20, 2006         </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="width: 60%;">           Name  <b>40,479</b> </div> <div style="width: 35%; border-left: 1px solid black; padding-left: 5px;">           Registration Number         </div> </div> </div> </div>		